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FOI Officer

Justice Department/Federal Bureau of Investigation 9th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue Washington, DC 20535

To the FOI Officer:

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This request is made under the federal Freedom of Information Act, U.S.C. 552. Decewed Please send me copies of any documents you have on file concerning Jamaican reggae musician Robert Nesta Marley, a recording artist with Island Records Pof 444 Madison Avenue, NYC, NY 10022, and Island Records LTD, 22 St. Peter's Square, London W6; Mr. Marley resided at 56 Hope Road, Kingston, Jamaica, WI,

and 12401 Vista Lane, Miami, Florida 33156, until his death on May 11th, 1981 in Miami; he toured the United States, at various intervals between 1973 and 1981. Mr. Marley was a member of the Twelve Tribes sect of the Rastafarian religion: I seek copies of any documents you have on file concerning Mr. Marley

from 1973 to 1982.

As you know, the FOI Act provides that if portions of a document are exempt from release, the remainder must be segregated and disclosed. Therefore, I will expect you to send me all nonexempt portions of the records which I have requested, and ask that you justify any deletions by reference to specific exemptions of the FOI Act. I reserve the right to appeal your decision to

withhold any materials.

I am prepared to pay reasonable search and duplication fees in connection with this request. However, the FOI Act provides for waiver or reduction of fees if disclosure could be considered as "primarily benefiting the general public." I am a journalist-author for Holt, Rinehart and Winston, Publishers, and intend to use the information I am requesting as the basis of a planned chapter of a book. The first full-length biography of a composer-musician generally recognized as the most important such figure in the Third World in the last fifty years, it is of sufficient benefit to the general public to warrant consideration of a fee waiver. Therefore, I ask that you waive search and duplication fees. If you deny this request, however, and the fees will exceed \$200.00, please notify me of the charges before you fill my request so that I may decide whether to pay the fees or appeal your denial of my request for a waiver.

As I am making this request in the capacity of a journalist and author, and this information is of timely value, I will appreciate your communicating with me by telephone, rather than by mail, if you have any questions regarding this request. Thank you for your assistance, and I will look forward to receiving

your reply within 10 business days, as required by law.

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Dear Requester:

This is to acknowledge receipt by FBI Headquarters of your recent Freedom of Information-Privacy Acts (FOIPA) request and to advise you we will comply with your request according to Title 5, United States Code, Section 552 (a)(6)(A)(i) and other Federal statutes and regulations. Additional information, if needed, will be requested by separate letter.

A search of the indices to our records will be made to determine if we have the information you seek. If the search fails to locate record(s) pertaining to your request, you will be notified. If the search locates a record(s) which may be responsive to your request, it will be retrieved and processed according to the provisions of the FOIPA.

Your request has been assigned the number indicated above. Please use this number in all correspondence with us.

Sincerely yours,

Chief

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SUBJECT OF REQUEST

Robert Nesta Marley

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229,977 FOIPA NO. _ Timothy White New York, New York, 10022 Dear Mr. White: This is in further response to your Freedom of Information/Privacy Acts (FOIPA) request(s). Information pertaining to your request has been set forth below in appropriate paragraphs. The additional data requested from you has been received. We have received your letter expressing your willingness to pay fees of approximately We are currently conducting a search of the index to our central records system to determine if we have the records you are seeking. Upon completion of this review, you will be advised of the results. Documents have been located which pertain to your request(s) and they will be assigned for processing in the near future. For your information, as a result of the large number of FOIPA requests received by the FBI, some delay may be encountered in processing your request(s). You may be assured that the FBI has allocated

substantial resources, including manpower, to insure that delays in responding to FOIPA requests are minimized. We solicit your patience and understanding and assure you that your request(s) will be processed as soon as possible.

Il If you desire a search of our Identification Division records for any arrest record that might pertain to you, please comply with the instructions set forth in Attorney General Order 556-73, a copy of which is enclosed. If in addition, you desire a search of National Crime Information Center Computerized Criminal History (NCIC-CCH) records, please specifically indicate this on your request to the Identification Division. Fingerprint impressions are needed for comparison with records in both the Identification Division and the Computerized Criminal History File to insure that an individual's record is not disseminated to an unauthorized person.

Your continued patience and understanding will be appreciated.

See Continuation Page for additional information.

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Mr. Timothy White

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New York, New York 10022

Request No. 229,977

Dear Mr. White:

In response to your Freedom of Information-Privacy Acts request, a search of the indices to our central records system at FBI Headquarters revealed no information that Robert Nesta Marley has been the subject of an FBI investigation.

If your believe his name may have been recorded by the FBI during the investigation of other persons or an organization, please describe the incident or occurrence and time frame. Then a further effort will be made to locate and process those records.

The search for information was limited to records in our central records system which are maintained at FBI Headquarters, Washington, D. C. In certain instances information collected in our field office files is not forwarded to FBI Headquarters. These instances include cases in which the perpetrators of the violation were not identified; cases in which the United States Attorney declined prosecution; and cases in which the allegations were unsubstantiated or not within the jurisdiction of the FBI. If you believe feeding of interest to you are located in the files of an FBI field office and were not reported to Headquarters, you may write directly to any field office for those materials.

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Sincerely, yours,

James K. Hall, Chief

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